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EASLEY APPOINTS MEMBERS TO STATEWIDE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL

RALEIGH – Gov. Mike Easley appointed eight members to the North Carolina Statewide Independent Living Council.

Easley appointed **Devia Eller** of Glade Valley, who is currently enrolled at Western Piedmont Community College in the business administration department; **Timothy L. Barbour** of Smithfield, a consumer trainer with Virtual Buddies and a member of the Advisory Board of Assistive Technology; and **Johnna Simmons** of Raleigh, customer service representative for Sears.

Easley reappointed **Edward Carl Tilley** of Greenville, manager of orthotic services at the University Health Care Systems of Eastern North Carolina Regional Rehabilitation Center; **Betty Jeanette Lawson** of Winston-Salem, retired from Forsyth County School System; **Barbara C. Davis** of Sylva, executive director of Pathways for the Future and Western Alliance Centers for Independent Living; **Robert Carlton Johnson** of Williamston, a representative for the independent living community; and **Eileen Teachout-Smith** of Charlotte, assistant director for Programs for Accessible Living at the Center for Independent Living.

The North Carolina Statewide Independent Living Council serves in an advisory capacity on issues relating to services for people with disabilities, especially independent living programs and services. The council has 25 members, each appointed by the Governor. The members serve a three-year term.

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